

Overtime Allowance to Employees in Andaman and Nicobar Islands

4982. SHRI MANORANJAN BHAKTA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether OM No. 15012/8/86 ESTT. (Allowance) dated March, 19, 1991 issued by the Ministry of personnel, public Grievances and pensions regarding enhanced rates of overtime allowance for the employees of various departments has been implemented by the Andaman and Nicobar Islands Administration;

(b) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

[Translation]

Opening of Head Post Offices in Orissa

4983. SHRI MRUTYUNJAYA NAYAK: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the districts in Orissa having no head post offices;

(b) whether the Government propose to open at least one post office in each district, especially at the district head-quarters; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) All the 13 revenue districts in Orissa are having Head Post Offices including at District Headquarters.

(b) and (c). Question does not arise.

[English]

Granite Mines in the Country

4984. SHRI RAM NARESH SINGH: Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of granite mines functioning, the quantity of granite excavated, and the amount earned therefrom from the various mines in the country during the last three years, year-wise and State-wise; and

(b) the steps being taken by the Government for exploration of new granite mines, State-wise?

THE-MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF MINES (SHRI BALRAM SINGH YADAV): (a) According to information available the number of granite producers in India in the year 1988 was 196.

State-wise figures of production and value of granite during 1987 to 1989 are given in the statement below.

(b) Since granite is a minor mineral the responsibility for exploration and development of granite rests with the respective State Governments.